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# MICHIGAN BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 30, 2007

#### **APPROVED MINUTES**

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Athletic Trainers met in regular session on November 30, 2007, at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa Street, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Parking, Lansing, Michigan.

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:08 a.m. by Ann Berry, Chairperson.

## **ROLL CALL**

Members Present:

Ann Berry, Chairperson

Dennis Corbin, Vice Chairperson

Robert Baker, M.D., Professional Member

Laurie Ryan, Professional Member (arrived at 10:45)

Rodney Sorge, Professional Member

Lawrence Nassar, D.O., Professional Member (left at 12:35)

Member Absent:

William Bupp, Public Member

Staff Present:

Laurie VanBeelen, Secretary, Licensing Division Rae Ramsdell, Director, Licensing Division

Elizabeth Arasim, Policy Analyst, Licensing Division

Public Present:

Christina Eyers - Michigan Athletic Trainers Society (MATS)

Brian Hatzel – MATS Brian Locke – MATS Jon Romkema – MATS Rachel Vogel – MATS Mike Braid – MATS Mike VanDenberg Michigan Board of Athletic Trainers Meeting Minutes November 30, 2007 Page 2 of 3

#### INTRODUCTIONS

Berry introduced Liz Arasim, Rae Ramsdell, and Laurie VanBeelen, who is the new board secretary.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Motion** by Nassar, seconded by Corbin, to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2007, meeting as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Corbin, seconded by Nassar, to approve the agenda as presented.

**MOTION PREVAILED** 

#### OLD BUSINESS

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

Members reviewed Draft 3 of the rules, of which the changes were highlighted. There was extensive discussion regarding grandfathering, the amount of time acceptable for a temporary license to be in place, the additional language of specific CE courses, first aid training, and applicants meeting Board of Certification requirements.

It was decided that the language regarding supervision of high school students acting as athletic trainers and supervision by licensees over those not board certified as an athletic trainer would be discussed at the next meeting. Additional research will be done in order to determine what the administrative rules in other states reflect on this topic.

It was also reaffirmed that the highest duty of the board is to protect the public.

**Motion** by Nassar, seconded by Baker, to allow only six (6) months after the administrative rules are approved for applicants to apply for the temporary license.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

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# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Eyers commented that collegiate guidelines as to licensed ATs supervising uncertified ATs is 8 to 1. She expressed a concern that high school students acting as ATs are allowed to perform AT duties that college ATs are not allowed to do.

Hatzel agreed with Eyers comments and further indicated that using student ATs potentially takes jobs away from certified ATs. He also indicated that using too many students as ATs without adequate supervision places the athletes in danger.

VanDenberg inquired about receiving copies of the drafts that the board was working from. Ramsdell indicated that it is the policy not to release working drafts to the public because of the amount of changes that occur. She indicated that when the final draft is ready for the public hearing, the public will have opportunity to review it at that time.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next meeting will be held on Friday, January 4, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., in the Ottawa Building Conference Center (Upper Level Parking), in Conference Room 1.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Corbin, seconded by Baker, to adjourn the meeting at 1:12 p.m.

Ann Berry, Chairperson

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